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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Masamichi Saito

Appln. No.: 10/823,473

Filed: April 13, 2004

For: SELF-PINNED CPP GIANT
MAGNETORESISTIVE HEAD WITH
ANTIFERROMAGNETIC FILM ABSENT
FROM CURRENT PATH

Examiner: To be Assigned.

Art Unit: 2871

Attorney Docket No: 9281-4799

Commissioner for Patents
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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; PTO Form 1449; Copy of Search Report for Great Britain application GB0408133.7; Copy of cited references
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(_____).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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| Total | | Minus | | | x \$9= | | | X \$18= | |
| Indep. | | Minus | | | x 43= | | | X \$86= | |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | | +\$145= | | | +\$290= | |
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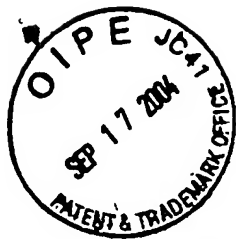
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

9/15/04

Gustavo Siller, Jr. (Reg. No. 32,305)



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Masamichi Saito
Appln. No.: 10/823,473
Filed: 4/13/2004
For: CPP GIANT
MAGNETORESISTIVE HEAD
WITH LARGE-AREA METAL
FILM PROVIDED BETWEEN
SHIELD AND ELEMENT

Examiner: To be Assigned.
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

| No. | Date of Publication | Country |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------|
| EP 1 416 474 A2 | May 6, 2004 | Europe |
| US 2002/0172840 A1 | November 21, 2002 | USA |
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For the Examiner's convenience, Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Also enclosed is a copy of the Search Report dated July 21, 2004 for Great Britain Application GB0408133.7. As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.


By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other

information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

9/15/04
Date


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| | APPLICANT(S): Masamichi Saito | |

REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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| | B1 | 2002/0172840 A1 | 11/21/2002 | Terada et al. | | |
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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